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In re Application of:

Kenji YOSHIOKA

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For: An Emergency Informing

Apparatus And An

Emergency Informing System

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application before examination.

In the Claims

Please add new claims 17-23 as follows:

(Newly Added) An emergency informing apparatus for a vehicle comprising: 17. a position detecting unit for detecting a position of said emergency informing apparatus:

a data generation unit for generating emergency data including at least identification data of said vehicle, called party data, and said position;

an emergen by communication unit for making a wireless communication and transmitting said emergency data to a called party indicated by said called party data when an emergency condition is detected; and

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